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May 21, 2020

Director Thomas Buschatzke  
Arizona Department of Water Resources  
Attn: Sharon Scantlebury, Docket Supervisor  
P. O. Box 36020  
Phoenix, Arizona 85067-6020

Re: Legislative District 5 Comments to the Response to Public Comments  
filed on May 7, 2020 by Town of Queen Creek's (Town) and from GSC Farm,  
LLC, (GSC Farm or Greenstone)

Dear Director Buschatzke:

An issue came to our attention regarding the Town of Queen Creek and GSC Farm, LLC (Applicants) response to the public comments filed with ADWR. On February 10, 2020, the Department provided the Applicants with 90 days under its Substantive Policy for this purpose of informing the Department of their attempts to resolve and/or respond to any claims of negative impacts from the proposed transfer action.

We write to advise you that to our knowledge the Applicants have made no attempts to contact any member of this Delegation, any Elected Officials in Mohave or La Paz Counties, or any individual commenter opposing this proposed transfer to resolve and/or respond to any claims of negative impacts from the proposed transfer action, as required by the ADWR Substantive Policy.

It appears the Applicants used the 90 day period solely to perfect their written response of 281 Pages to 874 comments, of which about 859 oppose the transfer of this water.

Therefore, because there were no attempts at negotiations and no such "attempt to resolve or mitigate the claimed impacts" of the proposed transfer were made, the Department should reject the Applicants' Response to Public Comments as untimely and beyond the scope of the 90 day extension.



Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Regina E. Cobb".

Regina E. Cobb, District 5  
Az State Representative

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Leo Biasiucci".

Leo Biasiucci, District 5  
Az State Representative

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sonny Borrelli".

Sonny Borrelli, District 5  
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cc: The Honorable Doug Ducey, Governor of Arizona  
Commissioner Brenda Burman, Bureau of Reclamation

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